

HIGHEST SALARIED MANAGER IN BASEBALL



Manager John J. McGraw of New York Giants.

Manager John J. McGraw is the highest salaried man in baseball. Last Year McGraw received \$30,000 as salary from the New York club and will get the same amount this year and for three more, for the new contract he signed last winter at that yearly salary has four more years to run. McGraw's income from baseball last year was \$83,500.

McGraw was born in Truxton, N. Y., April 7, 1873. He played his first professional engagement with the Olean, N. Y., team in 1890. After two seasons in the minor leagues he entered the National league as a member of the

Baltimore team in 1892, and remained with that team until the end of the season of 1899. In 1900 he played with the St. Louis Cardinals. The following year the American league placed a team in Baltimore, with McGraw as manager. John remained in Baltimore until he signed as manager of the Giants in 1902. On July 19, 1914, he will celebrate his twelfth year as pilot of the National league champions. During his career as a player McGraw was a crack third baseman, and since taking up the managerial end of the game he has developed a number of the greatest stars in baseball.

SPEED NOW A GREAT FACTOR

Modernized Baseball Uses Faster Play Than Was the Case in Earlier Days of the Game.

It is in the base stealing department that the biggest difference between the old-time ball players and the present generation is found. A comparison between the figures of 20 years ago and now shows a remarkable falling off. In 1886 in the National league three men stole more than 50 bases, Harry

Five other American association players stole more than 100 bases. Dummy Hoy led the National league with 82 steals.

Billy Hamilton came to the front as the American association's best base runner in 1889. He put 117 steals to his credit, leading Stovey by two. Fogarty did the best work in the National league, stealing 99 bases.

Since the advent of Ty Cobb, Clyde Milan and Eddie Collins, base running has had a revival, but the three American league stars are the only players who show anything like the old-timers.

NOTES of the DIAMOND

Fred Snodgrass is said to be willing to play third base for the Giants.

Connie Mack has been informed of a new addition to his family, a girl.

Forrest Cady, the giant catcher of the Boston Red Sox, may join the Federals.

Cobb says he isn't a natural hitter. Wonder what the pitchers have to say about it?

The Toronto club announces that it has secured Pitcher Fred Herbert from the Brooklyn club.

Jimmy Eschen may land a steady job with Frank Chance's Highlanders. Eschen is a versatile player.

Baseball players, they say, sign yearly contracts. And the season lasts but six months. Some job, say we.

Bill Stump while with the York (Pa.) team in the Tri-State league in 1911 didn't miss an inning in 112 games.

With 11 Indians, 14 Cubans and one Hawaiian in the major league lineups, the umps must commence learning Esperanto.

Bill Steen, the Naps' pitcher, is learning to bat left-handed. Maybe he thinks his pitching days are nearing an end.

STRIKE-OUT RECORDS OF MAJOR LEAGUES

Sweeney, Providence against Boston, June 7, 1884, 19.
Daly, Chicago against Boston, July 20, 1884, 19.
Shaw, Boston against St. Louis, July 25, 1884, 18.
Hecker, Louisville against Columbus, August 26, 1884, 17.
Burlington, Boston against Cleveland, September 2, 1884, 17.
Ramsey, Louisville against Metropolitan, August 9, 1886, 17.
Ramsey, Louisville against Cleveland, June 21, 1887, 17.
Kilroy, Baltimore against Athletics, June 24, 1886, 16.
Clarkson, Chicago against Kansas City, August 18, 1886, 16.
Gilmore, Washington against St. Louis, September 24, 1886, 16.
Burlington, Boston against Detroit, July 30, 1885, 16.
Ramsey, Louisville against Baltimore, June 29, 1886, 16.
Ramsey, Louisville against St. Louis, June 30, 1887, 16.
Keefe, Metropolitan against Brooklyn, August 21, 1885, 16.
Matthews, Athletics against Columbus, September 27, 1884, 16.
Lynch, Metropolitan against Richmond, August 24, 1884, 16.
Cushman, Milwaukee against Boston, September 24, 1884, 16.
Hahn, Cincinnati against Boston, May 22, 1901, 16.
Glade, St. Louis against Washington, July 18, 1904, 16.
Waddell, St. Louis against Athletics, July 29, 1908, 16.
Mathewson, New York against St. Louis, October 3, 1904, 16.
Rucker, Brooklyn against St. Louis, July 24, 1909, 16.

THORPE A BASEBALL PLAYER

Famous Indian Athlete Established World's Record for the All Around Championship.

James Thorpe, the Indian football and baseball player, and track athlete, was born on a ranch near Prague, Okla., May 28, 1888. After he had attended the Haskell Indian school for two years and a half and a public



Jim Thorpe.

school at Prague for two years, he entered Carlisle in 1904. At Carlisle Thorpe was taken in hand by Coach Warner, who developed the athletic ability of the Indian and made him the greatest athlete of the day. At Carlisle Thorpe was a star on the field, track, gridiron, and diamond. At the Olympic games at Stockholm last July he won the pentathlon and decathlon. Two months later he established a new world's record for the all around championship of the A. A. U. at Celtic park, New York. Thorpe's public confession a short time ago that he had played professional baseball while competing as an amateur caused the A. A. U. committee to erase his championship marks from the official record. He is a member of the New York Giants at present.

Umpire Bill Hart will umpire in the National league this year.

THOUGHT HIM A "BIT OFF"

Enthusiasm of Great Naturalist Entirely Misunderstood by Well-Meaning Cabman.

Lord De Tabley, poet and naturalist, used to delight in telling the following story of himself. He was an enthusiastic botanist, and one day, sauntering down Piccadilly, met a friend who told him where a specimen of a rare plant had been found.

De Tabley beckoned to a cabman and bade him drive to Chelsea. Chelsea was at that time a quiet old suburb. De Tabley told the driver to cross a meadow and stop by a ditch. He jumped out, plunged ankle-deep in the mud, searched for a few moments, found the tiny treasure, pocketed it, and getting into the cab, called out: "Home!"

"But the cabman looked at him thoughtfully a moment, and then, with a nod of comprehension, drove rapidly back to Piccadilly and into the courtyard of a private madhouse.

"Here he is!" he cried to the porter.

"I've got him!" It was with difficulty that the porter convinced him that Lord De Tabley was not an escaped Lunatic.—Sunday Magazine.

Deferring to Expert Opinion.

Representative Richmond P. Hobson, who was the hero of the big boat-sinking in Santiago harbor during the Spanish-American war, and who later had his reward in being killed by the longest and loveliest line of girls known to history, was cross-examining Miss Minnie Bronson, an anti-suffragist, at a hearing before a congressional committee.

"So you don't think women would do as well as men in politics?" asked Mr. Hobson.

"I emphatically do not," replied Miss Bronson.

"Well, tell us why. We would like to hear more of that."

"For one thing, women are much more emotional than men?"

"Certainly."

"Can that be possible?"

"Nobody should know that better than you, in view of your experience directly after the Spanish-American war."—The Popular Magazine.

Lloyd-George Smiles.

The caustic tongue of David Lloyd-George recently caused Sir John Randles to move in the house of commons: "That this house contemplates with regret the repeated inaccuracies of the chancellor of the exchequer and his gross and unfounded attacks on individuals." When the motion was debated Lloyd-George responded with what T. P. O'Connor declares was the most brilliant speech of his career. The motion was not carried.

A man likes to pose as a pillar of some church when he is a candidate for office.

With more justice comes less desire to talk about it.

BAD SITUATION EITHER WAY

Victim of Conviviality in Poor Plight, but Position of Monkey Was Even Worse.

Paul Rainey was describing to a New York reporter some of his adventures with lions in Nairobi.

"Once near our bait of putrid meat," he said, "I awoke from a light doze in the dawn to find a lion actually sniffing at my feet. I reached for my rifle and, with a 'woof,' the lion was gone."

"You must have felt rather queer," said the reporter.

"It is strange," said Mr. Rainey, but the one thing that ran through my mind was a story—a story about a man who had stayed out at a banquet very, very late. This man awoke in the dawn and saw, perched on the foot of his bed, an organ grinder's monkey that had climbed in through the window.

"His hands trembling, his eyes bloodshot, the man drew his revolver from beneath his pillow and said:

"If you're a real monkey, it's a bad lookout for you, and if you're not it's a bad lookout for me."

A Long Way.

"Those immigrants certainly make their money go a long way."

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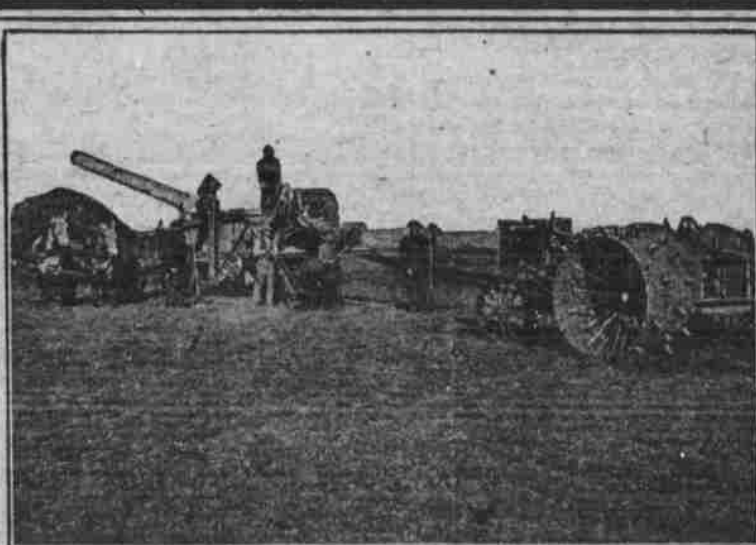
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Stovey led the American association with 96 steals. In 1887 Stovey broke all records stealing 143 bases. Arlie Latham was a close second with 142. In the National league Johnny Ward led with 110 steals, the late Jimmy Fogarty being second with 102. In 1888 Stovey made a record that will hardly be touched. He stole 155 bases.